

Female Crime Desistance: a Proposal for a Qualitative Research in Spain.

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The main objective of my presentation is to analyze the criminal desistance of the female offender. Traditionally criminology has focused on the explanatory factors of the criminal etiology and the maintenance of criminal careers; however the factors that influence in the completion of them have received less importance. The differences of gender continue regardless. The different controversies are explained in relation to the conceptualization of the criminal desistance in turn to a dynamic approach and the different explanatory theories. Next the main influential factors in female desistance: marriage motherhood employment spirituality and religion friendship relationships and so on. The most influential factors to end women's criminal activity. To conclude we propose a qualitative empirical research focused on the criminal desistance of women including a sample of Spanish women foreigners and ethnic minorities.